



Frequently Asked Questions: Fossil Energy – Carbon Capture and Sequestration

Below you'll find some of the most frequently asked questions from citizens, businesses and agency and non-profit partners (Updated 4/14/09)

Q. Who is eligible for this recovery fund program and what can this money be used for?

A. States, universities, research laboratories, electric utilities, and private companies are expected to be the key entities eligible for funding from this program. Federal program guidance that would clarify this answer is expected soon but has not yet been provided.

Q. How much money is available?

A. The Office of Fossil Energy has received \$3.4 billion from the Recovery Act. Initiatives will focus on research, development and deployment of technologies to use coal more cleanly and efficiently. Investments will go toward finding and testing new ways to produce energy from coal - such as gasification - and improving techniques to clean or capture and store the emissions from coal-fired power plants. Funds include:

- \$1.0 billion for fossil energy research and development programs;
- \$800 million for additional amounts for the Clean Coal Power Initiative Round III Funding Opportunity Announcement;
- \$1.52 billion for a competitive solicitation for a range of industrial carbon capture and energy efficiency improvement projects, including a small allocation for innovative concepts for beneficial reuse of carbon dioxide (CO₂);
- \$50 million for a competitive solicitation for site characterization activities in geologic formations (in the context of CO₂ sequestration in geologic formations);
- \$20 million for geologic CO₂ sequestration training and research grants; and
- \$10 million for program direction funding.

Q. Where, how and when do I apply for money?

A. Application will likely be made to the US Department of Energy, Office of Fossil Energy. However, federal program guidance that would clarify this answer is expected soon but has not yet been provided.

Q. What is CTED's role in distributing the money?

A. Neither CTED nor any other state agency is likely to be involved in the distribution of these federal funds. The state's role is likely to be to identify grant opportunities from this program and to either apply for the funds, or to put together a coalition of Washington entities to apply for the funds.

Q. Are there any other rules or obligations I need to know about?

A. Not at this time. Federal program guidance that would clarify this answer is expected soon but has not yet been provided.



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Q. I still have questions. Who do I contact to get more information?

A. Your CTED Contact is Mark Anderson at marka@cted.wa.gov or (360) 725-3117